PUBLIC NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

NORWOOD RETIREMENT BOARD

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES

The Norwood Retirement Board (hereinafter, "the Board") is seeking an attorney or law firm with experience representing Massachusetts public retirement boards in all matters pertaining to the Massachusetts public employee retirement law, General Laws Chapter 32 and 840 Code of Massachusetts Regulations, as well as ancillary areas of law pertinent to public agencies, including the Massachusetts Public Records Law, the State Ethics Law, and the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law. This request for proposals is subject to and will be conducted in compliance with General Laws Chapter 32, § 23B.

The Board oversees the Norwood Retirement System (hereinafter, "the System"), a Massachusetts governmental unit which administers the public pensions of over 1100 active and retired employees and their beneficiaries of The Town of Norwood and the Norwood Housing Authority. The Board manages approximately \$160M in System assets and employs a staff of 2 in offices located at 566 Washington Street, Norwood, Massachusetts.

To be considered for selection, the attorney or law firm should possess knowledge and proficiency with General Laws Chapter 32 and 840 Code of Massachusetts Regulations, and with laws generally pertaining to public agencies and public employment. Attorneys should have experience with appeals filed with the Contributory Retirement Appeal Board and in all Massachusetts Courts.

Attorneys and law firms must submit a proposal to be considered. A copy of the RFP may be obtained from the Norwood Retirement System, via email at <u>jjshea@norwoodma.gov</u> or by calling John Shea at 781-762-1240 x 166.

The Request for Proposals will be available until the submission deadline of January 18, 2019, at 4:00 p.m. (E.S.T.)